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TRADE BY COUNTRY

The Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, announced today that the rise in United States exports of domestic and foreign merchandise, excluding special category commodities, from \$1,246.0 million in November to \$1,324.3 million in December reflected increased exports to all continents except North America and Australia and Oceania. The decline in general imports from \$818.1 to \$800.6 million during the same period resulted from decreased imports from all continents except Australia and Oceania.

Exports to E. R. P. countries, including special category commodities, rose from \$434.2 million in November to \$471.0 million in December while imports from these countries dropped from \$146.9 to \$143.5 million. Exports, including special category commodities, to the Latin American Republics increased from \$344.0 to \$354.7 million but imports from these countries

decreased from \$259.9 to \$249.8 million from November to December.

Exports to Europe, the continent showing the largest increase in exports from November to December, rose from \$376.9 to \$438.8 million. Sizeable advances occurred in exports to some of the individual countries of this continent, as follows: Belgium and Luxembourg from \$40.7 to \$52.8 million, Italy from \$34.7 to \$44.0 million, Austria from \$4.4 to \$13.6 million, and Germany from \$47.5 to \$55.3 million. Exports to Asia rose from \$237.3 million in November to \$260.2 million in December. Exports to Israel and Palestine increased from \$3.8 to \$13.8 million while exports to the Republic of the Philippines advanced from \$32.6 to \$41.0 million. The advance in exports to South America from \$187.3 million in November to \$205.3 million in December reflected increases in exports to Brazil from \$71.2 to \$81.3 million and Chile from \$12.6 to \$19.3 million. From November to December, exports to Africa rose from \$46.4 to \$51.4 million, while exports to North America decreased from \$363.6 to \$334.7 million chiefly as a result of a decline in exports to Canada from \$208.1 to \$180.7 million. The minor decrease in exports to Australia and Oceania from \$34.6 million in November to \$34.0 million in December reflected small increases and decreases in exports to the individual countries of this area.

Imports from South America declined from \$188.6 million in November to \$177.7 million in December as imports from most of the countries of this continent registered decreases during the period. The most important declines occurred in imports from Chile, which fell from \$18.2 to \$11.7 million, and Brazil, which dropped from \$89.6 to \$84.9 million. A sizeable decrease also occurred in imports from Asia, which fell from \$132.8 million in November to \$122.9 million in December. The decline in imports from North America from \$287.9 million in November to \$283.2 million in December reflected decreases and increases in imports from some of the countries of this continent, as follows: Cuba from \$31.2 to \$13.4 million, Canada from \$199.6 to \$189.9 million, Mexico from \$27.2 to \$32.9 million, and Guatemala from \$4.1 to \$8.6 million. From November to December, imports from Europe decreased from \$157.3 to \$152.8 million, with imports from the United Kingdom, which fell from \$40.3 to \$35.4 million, representing the largest decline in imports from any of the individual countries of this continent. A small decrease occurred in imports from Africa, which dropped from \$37.7 to \$35.0 million. From November to December, imports from Australia and Oceania rose from \$13.8 to \$29.0 million, chiefly as a result of an increase in imports from Australia from \$9.6 to \$22.5 million.

¹Country of destination detail is not reported in export statistics for special category commodities beginning July 1950, for security reasons. For certain areas, export totals include special categories, as mentioned in the text above and as shown at the beginning of the table on page 3. Export figures for other areas and countries represent total exports less exports of special category commodities. See September 1950 and March 1951 issues of Foreign Trade Statistics Notes for further explanation and lists of special category commodities.

COVERAGE

Export statistics include, with certain exceptions, data on all shipments of merchandise to foreign countries from continental United States, Puerto Rico, and the territories of Alaska and Hawaii. They do not include shipments to the United States armed forces abroad for their own use. Import statistics include, with certain exceptions, data on imports of merchandise from foreign countries into continental United States, Puerto Rico, and the territories of Alaska and Hawaii. Neither the import nor export statistics include shipments between continental United States and its territories and possessions, or between the territories and possessions. See Foreword to Foreign Commerce and Navigation of the United States for complete statement.

None of the export or import figures has been adjusted for changes in price level.

Foreign Trade Reports of the Bureau of the Census

Summary reports showing monthly data on the trade of the United States with foreign countries are issued as follows:

- FT-900 Overall total export and import data; no commodity or country data.
- FT-930 Exports and imports by economic classes and leading commodities; no country data.
- FT-950 Exports and imports by countries of destination and origin; no commodity data.
- FT-970 Foreign trade by United States Customs Districts; no commodity or country data.
- FT-972 Water-borne foreign trade by United States Customs Districts and ports; no commodity or country data.
- FT-973 Water-borne foreign trade by trade areas; no commodity or country data.
- FT-976 Department of Defense controlled cargo under United States foreign aid programs and "Special Category" non-Department of Defense controlled cargo exported by vessel, by port of lading; no commodity data.
- FT-981 Shipping weight and dollar value of merchandise laden on and unladen from vessels at United States ports during the in-transit movement of the merchandise from one foreign country to another; no commodity or country data.

Additional detailed commodity and country data are available in the form of other FT reports. A catalog of such reports may be obtained from the Bureau of the Census, Washington 25, D. C.

UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MERCHANDISE BY COUNTRY OF DESTINATION AND UNITED STATES GENERAL IMPORTS BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN FOR SPECIFIED PERIODS

(Value in millions of dollars. General imports are a total of imports for immediate consumption plus entries into bonded warehouses. N.e.s. indicates not elsewhere specified.)

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	Exports				. General imports						
Continent and country1	December 1951	November 1951	December 1950	Monthly average 1950	December 1951	November 1951	December 1950	Monthly average 1950			
Total trade including Special Categories¹. E.R.P. countries. E.R.P. participating dependencies. Other Europe. Canada. Latin American Republics. All other countries.	² 1,435.0 471.0 54.5 26.0 193.4 354.7 335.4	31,387.9 434.2 48.6 22.3 220.9 344.0 317.9	1,065.3 340.2 32.4 18.3 192.0 283.8 198.6	856.3 263.7 36.1 11.4 169.9 226.7 148.4	800.6 143.5 63.7 14.4 189.9 249.8 139.3	818.1 146.9 67.1 16.6 199.6 259.9 127.9	867.0 143.2 95.5 18.0 186.6 246.4 177.3	737.7 105.0 67.7 15.4 163.4 242.5 143.6			
Total Special Categories 1	110.7 78.8 31.9	142.0 110.9 31.1	112.0 90.5 21.4	52.7 39.3 13.4	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX			
Net total excluding Special Categories ¹ E.R.P. countries Latin American Republics Sterling area countriea	1,324.3 419.3 341.2 274.7	1,246.0 361.2 327.0 256.6	953.3 273.8 274.3 113.6	803.6 234.8 218.9 105.8	800.6 143.5 249.8 132.1	818.1 146.9 259.9 132.8	867.0 143.2 246.4 170.1	737.7 105.0 242.5 133.6			
North America	334.7	363.6	321.7	284.5	283.2	287.9	277.8	258.4			
dGreenland. Canada (Incl. Newfindland and Labr) Miquelon and St. Pierre Islands. Mexico. Guatemala b. British Honduras El Salvador Honduras Alicaragus Costa Rica Panama, Republic of Canal Zone b. Spermuda b. dpahamas. Cuba b. Jjamaica. Haiti Dominican Republic b. Leeward and Windward Islands b. Spandos b. Jrinidad and Tobago	(*) 180.7 (*) 62.2 4.0 0.4 3.5 4.5 2.6 3.2 5.0 2.8 1.6 1.1 44.2 1.7 2.5 6.1 0.3 0.4	(*) 208.1	(*) 185.9 (*) 57.7 4.0 0.4 3.3 2.2 1.3 2.4 3.3 2.3 0.8 45.5 0.9 2.1 3.3 0.1	(*) 166.3 (*) 42.7 3.6 0.3 2.7 2.0 0.5 2.2 9.2 9.2 1.9 0.7 0.6 38.0 0.7 2.1 3.4 0.1 0.5	(*) 189.9 (*) 32.9 8.6 0.4 1.7 0.9 0.3 2.7 1.0 0.3 (*) 0.2 13.4 0.2 4.5 7.4 0.2 0.1	(*) 199.6 (*) 27.2 4.1 0.2 0.5 1.3 0.3 1.3 0.3 (*) 0.1 31.2 0.2 2.3 3.0 0.1 0.6	186.6 (*) 35.1 0.2 1.8 1.0 0.1 1.2 0.7 0.3 (*) 0.2 18.5 0.1 3.3 4.8 0.4 0.1 1.0	0.1 163.4 (*) 26.3 4.5 0.2 4.3 1.7 1.6 2.1 0.8 0.2 (*) 33.9 0.2 1.9 3.2 0.2 (*)			
dNetherlands AntillesdFrench Weat Indies	6.9 0.2 205.3	6.9 (*) 187.3	4.8 0.1 150.4	5.8 0.2 112.3	17.5 0.1 177.7	14.2	16.8 (*)	13.2 (*)			
Colombia. Quenezuela. b.dsritish Guiana. Gurinam. Grench Guiana Bolivia. Chile. Brazil. Aparaguay. Grentine. Argentina. Argentina. b. Falkland Islands.	20.3 39.2 0.6 1.2 (*) 3.4 9.9 3.3 19.3 81.3 0.4 7.2 19.2	18.9 40.1 0.2 0.9 (*) 3.3 8.9 2.3 12.6 71.2 0.3 6.8 21.6 (*)	22.1 38.0 0.3 0.7 (*) 3.0 7.7 3.3 10.4 44.6 0.2 7.3 12.8	19.1 32.7 0.2 0.6 (*) 2.3 5.9 1.6 5.9 28.6 0.3 3.3 11.8 (*)	36.6 27.3 0.1 1.2 	34.6 25.8 0.1 1.0 3.8 4.4 2.3 18.2 89.6 0.8 1.2 6.8	20.6 24.9 0.2 1.5 	26.1 27.0 0.1 1.1 (*) 2.9 4.1 2.9 13.3 59.6 0.5 8.8 17.2			
Europe	438.8	376.9	286.4	241.1	152.8	157.3	156.7	115.6			
b. CIceland. CSweden. CNcwwry. Denmark. b. United Kingdom. b. Ireland: (Eire). CNetherlands. CReligium and Luxembourg. CFrance. CZechoslovákia. Hungary. CSwitzerland. Finland. Estcnia. Latvia. Lithuania. Poland and Danzig. U.S.S.R. (Russia). d'Azores. Spain. CPortugal. b. Cibraltar. b. Chalta, Gozo, and Cyprus. CTaly. CFree Territory of Tricate.	0.8 13.6 6.5 4.4 103.1 4.1 33.7 52.8 48.2 55.3 13.6 (*) (*) (*) 0.1 (*) 0.2 10.8 5.3 0.1 0.2 44.0 1.5	0.5 14.6 7.0 6.9 96.0 5.4 26.8 40.7 40.9 47.5 4.4 (*) 17.8 4.9 (*) (*) (*) 11.4 3.5 0.3 34.7 0.8	0.8 10.8 10.8 10.8 5.1 5.1 47.4 3.9 20.3 26.2 36.0 38.2 9.2 0.3 0.1 15.4 1.3	0.5 8.1 5.9 4.6 42.6 3.7 18.7 22.2 27.9 36.6 8.8 0.9 0.3 10.7 1.7 0.1 0.1 3.6 2.7 0.1 0.2 28.3 1.0	0.8 7.1 3.5 2.5 35.4 0.6 10.4 14.8 2.1 0.6 0.2 12.0 2.7	1.6 5.7 4.5 2.2 40.3 1.6 8.4 15.5 13.6 16.6 2.5 0.6 0.1 13.2 4.7 0.6 3.1 (*) 3.7 2.1 (*) (*) (*) 12.4 (*)	0.8 7.9 3.2 1.8 32.6 0.3 7.9 17.6 21.4 24.8 1.8 2.3 0.2 11.7 3.1	0.4 5.9 3.4 1.0 27.9 6.2 7.0 11.6 11.0 8.7 1.4 2.2 0.2 9.1 2.9 (*)			
Yugoslavia Albania Greece Rumania Bulgaria	9.6 (*) (*)	7.1	(*) 6.9 0.1 0.1	3.3 (*) 7.6 0.2 0.1	3.9 (*) (*)	0.6 (*)	(*) 1.5 (*) 0.1	1.6 (*) 1.4 (*)			

Exports Coneral imports											
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Continent and country ¹	December 1951	November 1951	December 1950	Monthly average 1950	December 1951	Novembor 1951	December 1950	Monthly average 1950			
Asia	260.2	237.3	138.6	125.4	122.9	132.8	178.1	141.6			
cTurkey	5.5	6.7	5.1	4.9	5.2	6.3	4.7	5.1			
Syria Lebanon	1.2	1.4 2.5	2.0	0.8 2.2	0.2	0.7	1.3	1.0			
bIraq (Mesopotamia)	1.4	2.7	0.5	0.8	2.5	2.0	2.4	1.0			
Iran (Persia)	1.4	1.7	3.4	2.8	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.0			
Israel and Palestine	13.8	3.8 0.2	10.3	7.6 0.1	0.7 (*)	1.5	0.9	0.7			
bJordan. b,∴kuwait	0.8	1.1	0.5	0.3	1.9	1.6	4.5	3.5			
Saudi Arabia	6.9	7.5	2.7	2.7	0.5	0.6	3.0	2.0			
Arabia Peninsula States, n.e.s	(*)	(*)	(*) (*)	(*) (*)	0.1 (*)	(≠)	(*)	(*)			
b.d Aden. b.d State of Bahrein.	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.6	(*)	0.5	(*)	0.2			
Afghanistan	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.8	(*)	1.5	1.8			
b India	77.6 4.7	74.7 3.8	20.3 3.7	17.7 2.5	18.2	18.4	16.9	21.6 2.6			
b Pakistanb Ceylon.	1.9	2.0	0.6	0.5	3.0	2.9	6.2	5.5			
b Burma	1.9	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1			
Siam (Thailand)	5.9	4.1	2.8	2.1	10.5	13.1	12.1 1.7	0.9			
French Indochina and French India b.d British Malaya	2.6 5.0	1.5	0.4	1.6	16.9	26.5	39.2	25.8			
Indonesia	12.4	12.4	9.5	6.5	20.1	17.3	23.3	۱3.			
Republic of the Philippines	41.0	32.6	24.3	19.6	15.9	15.9	19.3	19.7			
d Portuguese Asia	(*)	0.1	0.1	(*)	0.1	0.2	(*)	(*)			
China	(н)	(*)	0.1	3.0	4.8	2.7	16.2	12.2			
Manchuria	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		0.9	0.7	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1			
Korea (Chosen)b.d Hong Kong	8.4 2.8	4.7 2.8	1.0	8.6	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.4			
Taiwan (Formosa)	4.4	5.7	3.7	1.9	0.9	0.5	0.7	0.3			
Japan	54.6	58.1	42.1	34.7	15.0	15.9	17.6	15.2			
Australia and Oceania	34.0	34.6	13.8	11.1	29.0	13.8	22.5	17.3			
b Australia	26.0	24.7	10.8	8.4,	22.5	9.6	19.8	11.8			
b New Guinea	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(+) 4.0	(*) 2.6	(*) 5.4			
b New Zealandb,dBritish Western Pacific Islands	7.6	8.3 0.1	2.5	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)			
dFrench Pacific Islands	0.3	1.5	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.2	(it)	0.2			
Western Pacific Islands, n.e.s	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(×)	(*)	(*)	(*)			
Africa	51.4	46.4	42.3	29.1	35.0	37.7	56.0	41.1			
dFrench Morocco	3.3	2.2	2.2	1.8	(*)	0.6	0.7 (*)	(*)			
Tangier ^d Algeria	1.5	1.0	0.5	0.9	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.4			
dTunisia	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.1	(+)	0.1	0.3			
Libya	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	3.3	(*)			
Egypt	4.0 0.4	5.6	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.9	0.2	0.2			
Canary Islands	0.2	(*)	0.7	0.5	(*)	(×)	(*)	(*)			
Spanish Africa, n.e.s	0.1	0.1	(*)	(*)		(*)	1.9	0.4			
Cameroon	1.0	0.7	0.4	0.4	(*)	(*)		(4)			
French West Africa	1.5	1.7	1.4	1.1	(*)	0.3	0.1	0.3			
b.dGold Coast	1.3	0.5	0.6	0.5	3.9	4.9	9.0	2.9			
b. daritish West Africa, n.e.s	1.1	0.1	0.0	(*)	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.3			
Madeira Islands	0.3	(*)	(*)	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2			
dAngola	0.9	(*)	0.8	(*)	2.0	2.8	0.5	0.1			
dWestern Portuguese Africa, n.e.s	1.0	1.0	6.6	2.0	3.0	2.4	1.9	17			
^d Belgian Congo	5.6	5.7	3.9	3.3	4.6	4.6 (*)	b.8	3 R			
Eastern Italian Africa	(*) 0.5	(*)	(*)	(*)	0.1	2.0	0.5	1.7			
EthiopiadFrench Somaliland	0.1	(*)	0.1	0.1				(+)			
b, dBritish Somaliland			((*)	(*)	(*)	0.1	(+)			
b.dSeychelles and Dependencies b.dMauritius and Dependencies	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)		(*)		(*) (*)			
b,dBritish East Africa	1.8	0.8	0.4	0.5	3.5	2.9	1.6	2.1			
dMozambique	1.1	1.4	1.3	0.6	0.1	0.5	0.4	Ų.			
d Madagascarb Union of South Africa	0.3	0.4	12.5	10.0	6.5	11.0	17.9	11.8			
b.d Northern Rhodesia	0.7	0.1	0.1	0.2	1.1		5.0	2.5			
0. Southern Rhodesia	0.7	1.0	0.5	(*)	0.3	0.4	0.7 (*)	(*)			
b,dSouthern British Africa	(*)	(*)	1	1	1						

aLatin American Republics.
bSterling area countries.
cE.R.P. countries.
dE.R.P. participating dependencies.
Indicates leas than \$50,000.
LCountry of destination detail is not reported in export statistics for special category commodities beginning July 1950, for security lcountry of destination detail is not reported in export statistics for special category commodities beginning July 1950, for security reasons. For certain areas, export total ainclude special categories, as shown at the beginning of the table on page 3. Export figures for reasons. For certain areas, export total exports less exports of special category commodities. See September 1950 and March 1951 issues of Foreign Trade Statistics Notes for further explanation and lists of special category commodities.
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Includes \$59.6 million exports under the Mutual Defense Assistance Program (\$47.8 million to E.R.P. countries).